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1. CHEF DE CABINET OF MINISTRY OF JUSTICE INFORMED EMBOFF AFTERNOON OF SEPTEMBER 27THAT DZU HAD NOT YET BEEN OFFICIALLY NOTIFIED OF SEPTEMBER 15 COURT RULING AGAINST HIM. FIVE DAY TIME LIMIT TO "OPPOSE" JUDGEMENT DOES NOT BEGIN UNTIL DZU HAS BEEN SO NOTIFIED.

2. CHEF DE CABINET STATED, HOWEVER, THAT IT IS ENTIRELY POSSIBLE THAT DZU WILL BE NOTIFIED OF COURT'S DECISION IN VERY NEAR FUTURE, POSSIBLY EVENING SEPTEMBER 27.

3. WE DO NOT YET HAVE CONFIRMATION THAT DZU IN FACT OFFICIALLY NOTIFIED OF RULING AGAINST HIM. HOWEVER, ASSUMING THIS IS CASE, HE

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WILL HAVE FIVE DAYS TO "OPPOSE" COURT'S DECISION, THAT IS TO APPEAR PERSONNALLY BEFORE COURT AND PLEAD HIS CASE.
IF COURT AGAIN RULES UNFAVORABLY, DZU WILL THEN HAVE TEN DAYS TO APPEAL CASE TO SAIGON COURT OF APPEALS.

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ULTIMATELY CASE COULD REACH COURT OF CASSATION (SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS).

4. FOR WHAT IT'S WORTH, MINISTRY OF JUSTICE CHEF DE CABINET TOLD EMB OFF THAT IN HIS OPINION "JUSTICE SHOULD BE ALLOWED TO TAKE ITS COURSE " IN DZU CASE.
WE TAKE THIS TO MEAN JUSTICE MINISTRY IS INCLINED TO GO THROUGH WITH PROSECUTION OF DZU.
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